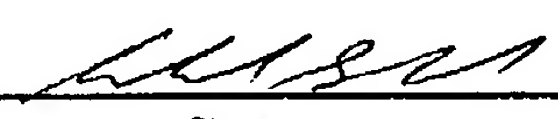
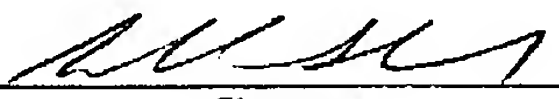


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1. United States Patent No. 5,778,638, issued to Watanabe et al., dated July 14, 1998; and

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